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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

Applicant's election of "Group A", filed 5/14/02 is acknowledged. Applicant appears, however, to have misunderstood the intent of the restriction action. Applicant was not required to elect either group A or B. The requirement was for an election of species, i.e., an embodiment of the invention of the single group consisting of all Claims 1-12, for examination.

Applicant is required to elect either: an inhibitor of T cells or an inhibitor of B cells from Group A, and either: a preventive or therapeutic agent of an autoimmune disease, rejection of organ transplantation, or allergy from Group B. Applicant is further required to list all claims readable on the elected species. Currently claims 1 and 4-11 are generic.

Since the reply filed on 5/14/02 appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to submit an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner G.R. Ewoldt, Art Unit 1644, whose telephone number is 703-308-9805. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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